

THE EVENING NEWS.

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BENTON HARBOR, MICH., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1897.

ONE CENT.

A LARGE BANKRUPT STOCK OF
Shot Guns and Rifles

Of all kinds for sale at

JACKSON'S
GUN STORE,

108 Water St., Benton Harbor, Mich.

Remember that I keep all kinds of hunting, fishing and sporting goods on hand and that I will not be undersold by any dealer in Southwestern Michigan. Winchester repeating rifles all sizes at \$10, \$11 and \$14 each; see the old and new models. Quackenbush 22 calibre and other target guns; Winchester repeating shot gun, 6 gauge at \$17; one Parker Bros. double barrel shot gun, second-hand at \$20 and I have double barrel breech loading shot guns, both 10 and 12 gauge at \$7, \$9, \$11 and \$12 each; single barrel breech loaders, both new and second-hand at \$6, \$8 and \$7 each; muzzle loading shot guns at the lowest prices. Loaded paper shells 10, 12 and 16 gauge, a loader at 35 cents per box. I have the Quirk shot, Rival and U. M. C. in large stock, so that you can be suited on shot sizes; full and complete line of Winchester, Colts and Marlin rifle cartridges at winning prices; 25 different sizes of revolver cartridges. B. B. Floberts and Blanks, Latin & Rand's shot gun; rifle and blasting powder, smokeless powder for rifles and shot guns; shot gun fixtures; brass shells, loaded and un-loaded; buck, common shot and bar lead; reloading tools for rifles and shot guns, cartridge belts and shell bags, hunting coats, vests and hats, canvas game bags and belts for hunters, powder flasks and shot pouches; primers, snipe, turkey and duck calls; set of gun shells loaded with smokeless powder, bowie knives and knives for hunters, pasteboard and felt wads, water-proof and G. D. gun caps. All kinds of new and second-hand revolvers. My leaders are 22 center fire at \$1.50, .32 and .38 center fire at \$1.75. These guns are all of the Bull dog pattern and they are all right. I am selling today the .32 and .38 center fire both blue and nickel, 5 and 8 shot rubber handle rifle barrel, fluted cylinder, break down, shell ejector, 4½ inch barrel, Smith & Wesson pattern for \$4. You can have a large stock of Ivor Johnson, Harrington & Richardson to select from. And how is that for a leader on guns? Holsters for revolvers and cases for guns and rifles, dark lanterns for coon hunters and Newhouse traps for trappers; compasses, boxing gloves, iron and maple dumb bells, punching bags, foot balls, all kinds and sizes, sling shots, billies and knuckles, dog chains, collars and muzzle.

All Kinds of Shot Guns and Rifles to
Bent by the Day or Week.

See my Martin safety rifles of all sizes, air rifles and B. B. shot for air rifles, sling shots, rubbers and anything that will shoot, you will find it at Jackson's. One 7x7 and 1 7x9 wedge toots for sale cheap. If you have got a good rifle, shotgun or revolver and want to sell it I will buy it. I have a large Colt revolver, 45 size at \$5, a Remington large 44 at \$5.

Unredeemed Gold and Silver watches
of All Kinds.

Seventy-seven solid gold rings, banjos, guitars and violins at 1/2 first cost. Trading men look over my watch stock. I can always stock you up on bargains. I have dealt in fishing, hunting and sporting goods in Benton Harbor for 20 years. I buy cheaper than any other dealer and I will not be undersold. SECOND-HAND BOOKS WANTED. Do not handle school books. After November 1st I will pay the best market price for all kinds of raw furs, and remember that I loan money on all kinds of personal property, and I always have about 14 wagon loads of second-hand truck of all kinds for sale. I also cash the time checks of the Crouch Construction company.

CHAS. A. JACKSON
Dealer in Almost Everything.

See Wallace Bros., 110 Pipestone street, for skates.

Smoke the "Columbia" 5 cent cigar.

SNOW IN IOWA.

W. M. Stringer Finds Refuge In Coming Back Home.

W. M. Stringer, wife and son returned home last evening from Indianapolis, Iowa. When they left Iowa Monday afternoon it was very cold and there was good sleighing.

STEAMERS FOR THE YUKON.

Sixteen Vessels to Be Constructed at Once by a Seattle Firm.

Seattle, Wash., Dec. 15. Moran Brothers have made the announcement that all details have been completed for the construction of sixteen river steamers for the Yukon company.

Next week the framing of the hulls will be commenced, for which forty acres of tide lands have been leased. Within two weeks 1,200 men will be at work.

The steamers will be completed and towed to the mouth of the Yukon by the time the river opens for navigation. The contract price is \$1,000,000.

A FRIEND MISUNDERSTOOD.

Willing to Help When Ever Needed, but Unable to Until Properly Received.

"I got tired of drinking Postum Food Coffee after trying it about 6 days and went back to common coffee but my nervous feelings and heart palpitation returned, so that wouldn't do."

I confess I hadn't taken a great fancy to the taste of Postum and probably would never have tried it again had it not been for the discovery that it had never been served to me properly prepared.

At a friend's house I had Postum that was a revelation.

It was clear and beautiful deep seal brown, almost black, and the taste crisp, piquant and elegant.

Inquiry developed that my cook had been accustomed to placing the boiler on the stove and leaving it there 15 minutes, 'but the secret is to allow it to continue boiling full 15 minutes after it commences to boil.' That makes it delicious and extracts the food value.

It is plain that I cannot use common coffee and I have no further desire to since Postum is understood."

WAS HE INCOMPETENT

Great Interest Manifested Over the Galien Will Case Now on Trial in Probate Court.

ARMY OF GALIEN WITNESSES

They Made Old St. Joseph Appear as Though the Summer Season Was Here.

Galen people crowded the Vandalia train that arrived in St. Joseph this morning. They were either witnesses or spectators in the will contest case in the probate court over the last testament of the late James E. Patterson. The witnesses who came down this morning were all for the defense and were as follows: Mrs. Ruth Jones, J. P. Jones, B. R. Jones, E. Harris, R. W. Montross, H. S. Cone, L. H. Baker, Frank Hall, Emil Schrumpf, M. L. Vantilburg, Gus Jannasch, Mrs. Henry Gaunt, Mrs. Dora Glover, Mrs. Caroline Findel, Drs. Perrin and Cunlaine, Mrs. Gertie Harris and Miss Edith Harris.

The testimony of the contestant, Mrs. Caltha E. Brush, was mostly taken two weeks ago and fourteen witnesses in all were sworn. The Patterson estate amounts to \$3,000 and it was left entire to the sister of the deceased, Mrs. Ruth Jones. Mr. Patterson spent the last years of his life living with Mrs. Jones and an effort is being made to show that the old gentleman was incompetent and that his will was made under undue influence.

The strongest witness for the contestant was perhaps, Charles A. Clark, president of Galien village, who testified that Mrs. Jones once charged him with getting the best of a bargain with Mr. Patterson on the ground that her brother was not competent to do business. Si Britain and Isaac Harner were sworn as witnesses for the contestant last night.

The defense began this morning with H. S. Cone as the first witness. It was shown that the dead man was a very peculiar character but that he was not considered crazy or incompetent. Legal papers that he had written during the last years of his life were put in evidence and they bore no marks of mental affliction. Mr. Cone testified that he had repeatedly been asked to teach classes in the Sunday school and in prayer meetings was called upon to pray. His dress and manners were peculiar.

Prof. Baker, of the Galien schools, was a good witness for the defense. An attempt was made to show that Patterson had a skeleton and that his insanity was apparent from the fact that the teeth placed in the jaw of the skeleton were the teeth of swine. Mr. Baker testified that the teeth were human and his evidence on this point was unmistakable.

The case may not be finished today.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Laetitia Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

A BAD FALL.

DR. N. A. HERRING SERIOUSLY HURT TODAY.

While Working on a Stepladder he Fell Sustaining Quite Painful Injuries.

This forenoon about 11:30 o'clock as Dr. N. A. Herring, the recent purchaser of the New Newland block, was working about his building he accidentally fell from a stepladder and struck his head against the floor in such a manner as to cause serious injuries.

Drs. Bastar and Bostick were called and dressed his bruises. He bled considerably and one of his cheek bones was depressed so that a surgical operation may be necessary.

The doctor has already made many friends here and the public at large sympathizes with him.

PATRICIANS.

Four New Courts To Be Organized at Once.

The order of Patricians is now on the boom. Within the next week courts will be organized by Chief Justice Hicks as follows: Baroda, Thursday night; Glandale, Van Buren county, Friday night; Grand Junction, Monday night; a court will be organized at Mottville, St. Joseph county, also on Monday night.

The members of the local court are requested to be present Friday evening of this week as the election of officers will occur at that time.

Phoenix Is Improving. The Phoenix Accident association has written 361 policies in the past two weeks.

The finest line of goods ever shown in Berrien county, to be seen at the opening, Saturday, December 18, at Teetzel & Haydon's jewelry store.

THE WEATHER.

Partly cloudy tonight. Snow flurries and colder Thursday.

WHITE AND GREEN.

The Prevailing Colors at the Midwinter Fair.

The fifth annual fair given by the Ladies' Aid society of the Universalist church will open in Conkey's hall this evening. And that it will be a success there can be no doubt as the ladies who have had the arrangements in charge have outdid all previous efforts.

The ball is trimmed in white and green and presents a very pretty appearance.

The first booth is the candy and lemonade booth and is in charge of Mrs. Bostick and Mrs. W. G. Newland. The linen booth is next and is presided over by Mesdames L. T. Burridge, G. Munger and W. P. Robbins. The fancy booth is in charge of Mesdames Price, Foster, Rifford and Freestone. In this booth is displayed beautiful fancy work of every description. The apron booth is in charge of Mrs. Rufus Brunson and Mrs. Bayliss. The flower booth is one of the most attractive features of the fair. In it are displayed a beautiful collection of potted ferns cut flowers and potted plants. It is in charge of Mrs. W. D. Downey and Mrs. George Thayer. The Art League has an attractive display of hand painted china and pictures. The fish pond in which the visitor pays 5 cents to throw in his line (and is guaranteed a bite) is in charge of Mrs. M. Wood and Mrs. Elly.

The stage, from which an elaborate program will be rendered each evening, is beautifully decorated, and the dining room in the rear of the hall, where meals are served is in charge of Mrs. W. C. Hovey.

The Squire Dingee Pickle Works has donated to the ladies a barrel of their choicest pickles.

The following is the program for tonight and Thursday evening.

Wednesday evening's program:

Piano solo Miss Moran
Chorus from high school
Solo, Miss Edgeworth, (pupil of Miss Webb)
Piano solo Mrs. Christopher
Solo Mrs. Gatchel
Readings (a) Brother Watkins (b) Mayne Musk by request
Misses Josie and Kate Hansen
Duet Fred A. Hobbs
Reading, How Ruby Played Miss Hudson
Duet Mesdames Christopher and Cary
Mandolin club

Thursday evening's program:

Piano solo Maud Preston, (a pupil of Miss Morgan)
Solo Mr. Kue land
Reading Frank Welton
Piano duet Misses Zora Thayer and Rowe, (pupils of Miss Morgan)
Solo Miss Kate Hansen
Quartet Universalist choir
Reading, Mrs. Stone (pupil of Miss Hansen)
Reading, Edgeworth (pupil of Miss Morgan)
Solo Mr. Webb
Duet Mr. Kneeland and Mrs. Gatchel
Solo Miss Josie Hansen

CHURCH SUED.

German Minister Wants the Salary Promised.

Rev. Mr. Cronheim, a minister of the Lutheran Evangelical Zion denomination, who has been holding meetings in the Modern Woodmen hall in this city, has sued his congregation for his pay. He claims a back salary of \$187.

The case came up in Justice Cady's court this morning. F. P. Graves appeared as attorney for the pastor and George W. Bridgeman for the flock, the latter representing about 25 Germans who crowded into the court room.

The case was adjourned until December 23.

Wait for Teetzel & Haydon's big opening to take place on Saturday, December 18.

Thousands of people attend the great holiday sale daily, at the White House store, the large stock and deep cut prices is what draws the people. The large stock must be closed out in 10 days, so follow the crowd, which is all headed for the White House.

682t C. & J. SCHERER.

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents.

Does He Smoke?

We mean your Husband, Sweetheart, Brother or Uncle.

If he does, call and examine that elegant line of

HOLIDAY PIPES

now on sale at

Dr. Fabry's Drug Store

110 Water Street...

STILL IN THE FRONT

With an always fresh, clean and superior stock of Fresh and Salt Meats, Poultry, Game and Oysters.

See our prices and compare them with what you have been paying.

Rib Roast, 9c Sausage, home made, 8c
Roast of Beef, 5c to 8c Smoked Ham, sliced, 14c
Fresh Side Pork, 7c Good Bacon, 10c
Pork Steak, 9c Bologna, 7c
Pork Roasts, 9c Frankforts, 8c
Spare Ribs, 7c Pure Lard, 8c
The finest fresh Bulk Oysters at 30c a quart.
Our Meat Market is closed on Sundays.

Rowe Bros.

The Meat Men..
130 Pipestone Street



Christmas is Coming..

And as a gentle hint in regard to presents we would ask you to step into a first class

Crockery and China Store..

It is a certain fact that every lady takes an unusual interest in

FINE CHINA..

Our assortment is new and complete and our prices will enable you to buy two presents with the money you expected to spend for one.

F. M. ROWE

137 Pipestone Street, Sweet Block..



Have Got to Move..

Before March 1 we must change our business location and we are anxious to close out as much of our stock as possible before we move. Our line of

Watches.
Diamonds,
Silverware and
Sterling
Silver Novelties,

Is the finest in this part of the state and the prices will hardly be first cost of the goods.

Holiday Buyers

Are requested to inspect our stock and get prices before buying elsewhere. We carry a large stock of Haviland and Delft China Ware which must be sold quick.

TEETZEL & HAYDON

Reliable Jewelers, Jones & Sonner Block..

Enterprise Mercantile Co.

Hansen Block, 116 East Main Street.

Special Sale on Dress Goods

Thursday, Friday and Saturday
Of This Week, December 16, 17 and 18

This will be a good chance to buy a fine dress cheap for an Xmas present...

15c Dress Goods,	10c Dress Goods,	25c Dress Goods,	19c
40c Dress Goods,	29c Dress Goods,	50c Dress Goods,	39c
60c Dress Goods,	46c Dress Goods,	65c Dress Goods,	49c
75c Dress Goods,	59c Dress Goods,	\$1.00 Dress Goods,	78c

WE ARE THE LEADERS.

Other Dealers Follow Our Lead.

Beginning Wednesday Morning, December 1,

The following Prices on UNDERW. AR will take effect:

Children's, Misses' and Boys' Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 11c to 30c.
 Children's, Misses and Boys' Merino Vests and Pants, sizes 16 to 34, from 10c to 30c.
 Boys' Heavy Fleece, all sizes, 25c.
 Children's, Misses' and Boys' strictly all wool Vests and Pants, all sizes, 18c to 90c.
 Ladies' fleecy lined Vests and Pants, 25c, 35c, 50c.
 Ladies' fine ribbed all wool, 85c and \$1.00.
 Ladies' extra weight, all wool flat goods, \$1.00 and \$1.25.
 Ladies' extra weight, all wool scarlet goods, \$1.00.
 Ladies' Union suits, fleecy lined, 25c, 50c, \$1.00.
 Ladies' Union suits, half wool, \$1.00.
 Ladies' Union suits, Oneida, all wool, \$1.40 to \$3.00.
 Ladies' equestrienne tights, all wool, black, \$1.00 and \$1.40.
 Men's heavy merino, camel hair and natural random, at 25c.
 The best fleecy lined in the market, 50c.
 Heavy camel's hair, 69c.
 Swiss-Conde, best made, \$1.00.
 Outing flannels, 8c, worth 10c.

JAMES POUND
...12 E. MAIN ST. HULBURD BLOCK...

Knocked Down Prices on Shoes at M. S. Peck's

All \$3 Shoes, and better, will be sold at **\$2.39**

All \$2.50 Shoes, at **\$1.89**

All \$1.50 to \$2 Shoes, at **\$1.19**

Great bargains in Socks, Felts and Rubbers

Come in and see these goods. We will not be undersold.

M. S. PECK
Shoelist to the Masses

109 Pipestone Street...

C. H. Soule

Will Give You a Few Cash Prices

Rock Candy drip syrup, per gal....	20c	1 can Tomatoes.....	07
19 lbs G Sugar.....	\$1.00	1 large bottle catsup.....	10
1 lb package cornstarch.....	.05	1 lb of cocoanut.....	15
Largo bottle bluing.....	.03	One half pound cocoanut.....	10
1 pkg white chip soap.....	.05	1 pound Bakers chocolate.....	17
1 sack salt.....	.03	1 package sweet chocolate.....	.07
12 bars soap.....	.25	Oat meal per package.....	.08
Salt pork per pound.....	.05	8 pounds of best oat meal.....	.25
6 bars Ivory soap.....	.25	1 gal oil can with wood jacket.....	10
1 lb crackers.....	.05	1 lb Sal Soda.....	.02
1 lb good coffee.....	.10	1 lb Rice.....	.05
1 lb of 50c tea for.....	.33	1 pkg Arm & Hammer Saleratus.....	.05
1 lb can Salmon.....	.10	All kinds of pure spices, Cinnamon, Allspice, Cloves, Pepper, Mustard in	
1 lb Raisins.....	.06	pound lots.....	.25
1 lb of 60c tea for.....	.45		
1 can of corn.....	.07		

The above prices are for cash only and goods of the very best quality at live and let live prices. Watch this ad.

C. H. SOULE..

KEEP YOUR BOWELS STRONG ALL SUMMER!
ANDY CATHARTIC
Ascaritis
 CURE CONSTIPATION
 REGULATE THE LIVER
 ALL DRUGGISTS
 10¢ 25¢ 50¢
 A tablet now and then will prevent diarrhea, dysentery, all summer complaints. It cures many natural results. Sample and book free. Ad. STERLING REMEDY CO., Chicago, Michigan, Cal. or New York. 2

We are Advertised by Our Loving Friends.

The following is one of the many kindly communications we are receiving:
 The other day I went down town
 And bought a cord of wood
 And it gives us satisfaction
 Because it splits so good.
 It was the easiest splitting lot
 I have purchased in my life,
 And to get a chance to split a stick
 Must draw cuts with my wife,

My boy as soon as school is out
 Comes hurrying on the run
 Saying, "Papa may I split some wood?"
 Please, papa, it's such fun."
 If you wish your boys to do the same,
 You will only have to go
 To get such beech and maple wood,
 To the Benton Fuel Co. D. B. E.

We have more of the same (wood, not poetry).

BENTON FUEL CO.

Telephone No. 118. Office Water Street. Yards, Highland Ave.

THE EVENING NEWS
25 CENTS A MONTH

Parted her lips, and all the world grew gay
 To hear the music at the gates of pearl.

Dimpled her cheeks, and lot each pretty
 Curl,
 Shaking with sunshine, made midwinter May.
 And I, who saw within a dusty den,
 Brooding o'er books and kissing withered
 flow'rs,
 Forgot my lolo and all my lonely hours
 And watched her curls and loved the world
 again.

-J. J. Bell in New Illustrated Magazine.

STEPHENETTE.

"While I was watching the animals in the Luberon country I was alone whole weeks in the pastures with my dog Labri and the flocks, without seeing a living soul. From time to time the hermit of the Mont de l'Ure would pass by looking for herbs, and occasionally I saw the black face of a Piedmontese charcoal burner. But they were simple folk, silent from habit and from having lost the taste for talking, and ignorant of what was going on below in the towns and villages. So every two weeks when I heard the mule bells coming up the road which wound up the mountain I was very joyful. Then the sprightly head of the little farm boy or old Aunt Norade's reddish headdress would appear over the hill, and with it would come my fortnightly provisions. I always made them tell me the news of the country below—about the baptisms, the marriages. But what interested me the most was hearing about the daughter of my master and mistress, our dear Mlle. Stephenette—the prettiest creature for miles around.

"Suddenly the little door of the sheepfold opened, and the lovely Stephenette appeared. She could not sleep. The animals rattled the straw in their restlessness or bleated in their dreams. She wanted to be near the fire. Seeing that, I threw my sheepskin over her shoulders, stirred the fire, and we sat down side by side without a word.

"If you have ever passed a night out under the stars, you know that in the hours when we sleep a mysterious world awakens in the silent solitude. Then the springs sing more clearly, the ponds kindle tiny fires on their surfaces, the mountain sprites come and go without fear, and there are rustlings and an imperceptible commotion in the air, which seem like the growing of branches or the springing of young plants. Day is the life of beings, night the life of things.

"Now, it happened on one of the Sundays the provisions which I had expected did not arrive until very late. In the morning when they did not come I said to myself, 'It is on account of high mass.' Then toward noon there came a great storm, and I thought that the bad condition of the roads must have kept the mule from starting. But at 3 o'clock, when the mountain glittered with the raindrops in the sunshine, I heard the mule bells mingling with the sound of dripping leaves and the roar of the swollen streams tearing down their banks—the mule bells as merry and as gay as the great chimes on an Easter morning. But it was not the little farm boy or old Norade.

"It was—guess who—our Mlle. Stephenette, my friends—our young lady herself, sitting there among the wicker bags, all pink from the mountain air, so refreshing now after the storm.

"The little fellow was ill. Aunt Norade was home with her children for a holiday. The lovely Stephenette had told me all this in alighting from the mule, and also that she was late because the beast had lost his way. But to see her so beautifully dressed in her Sunday clothes, with her flowered ribbons and her gay skirt and laces, she seemed to have come home late from a ball, instead of having just made her way through the woods.

"Oh, the dear little creature! My eyes could never tire of looking at her. I had never been so near her before. After the flocks had gone into the valley in the winter she would sometimes, while I was eating my supper, cross the room quickly, rather stiffly and perhaps a little proudly, scarcely speaking to the servants. And now she was before me. All my own! Was it not enough to make a man lose his head?

"When she had taken the provisions out of the basket, she began to look about her curiously. Lifting her beautiful Sunday skirt a bit lest it should be spoiled, she went into the fold. She asked to see the corner where I slept, with its bed of straw and a sheepskin. She saw my great cape hausing on the wall, my crook, my flint. It all amused her.

"And you live here, my poor shepherd? How tired you must grow of living alone always. What do you do? What do you think about?"

"I wanted to say, 'Of you, mistress,' and I should not have lied. But my embarrassment was so great that I could not find a single word. I think she noticed it and took delight in doubling my uneasiness with her mischief.

"And your very good friend? Does she come up to see you sometimes? Or the fairy Esterelle who flits about here on the top of the mountain?"

"She might have been the fairy Esterelle herself, as she tipped back her head and laughed merrily. And she made her visit seem more like an apparition by her haste to go.

"Adieu, shepherd."

"Your safety, mistress."

"And she was gone, taking the empty baskets with her.

"When she disappeared down the steep path, it seemed as though the pebbles rolling under the mule's hoofs dropped one by one on my heart. I heard them for a long time—a long time. And all the rest of the day I dared not stir, but sat as though I were asleep, for fear of awakening from my dream. Toward evening, as the depths of the valley grew blue and the animals grew restful and bleated in their impatience to get into the fold, I heard some one call from the slope. Our young mistress laughed, not so laughingly as before, but shivering with cold and dampness. At the bottom of the hill she had found the ergue evolien by the river, and in trying to cross she had almost been drowned. The terrible thing about it was that returning to the farm at this hour of the night was out of the question, because the road is perplexing, and our young lady never could have found her way alone. I could not leave

to console her.

"In July the nights are short, mistress. It will soon be over."

"And I quickly built a large fire to dry her feet and dress, which were drenched with the water of the Sorgue. Then I brought her some cheeses and milk, but the poor little thing gave no thought to warming herself or eating, and when I saw the great tears rise in her eyes I wanted to cry myself.

"In the meantime darkness had come completely. Only a glow was left on the crest of the mountains, a luminous mist on the side which faced the setting sun. I persuaded our young mistress to go into the fold to rest. After spreading a fine new skin on the fresh straw I bade her good night and went out to sit before the door. God is my witness that not one wicked thought came into my heart, despite the fire which was burning my blood. There was nothing but pride in thinking that in the corner of the sheepfold, next the curious flock which gazed at her as she slept, lay the daughter of my master, intrusted to my care—a whiter, more precious lamb than all the others. Never had the heavens seemed to me so deep, the stars so brilliant.

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"All this is even terrifying to one who is not in the habit of seeing it. Our young lady was trembling from head to foot, and she clung to me at the slightest noise. Once a long, mournful cry floated toward us from the gleaming pond below. At the same instant a superb shooting star glided over our heads in the same direction, as if this moan we had just heard were the bearer of a light.

"What was that?" Stephenette asked me in a low voice.

"A soul entering paradise, mistress. And I made the sign of the cross.

"She, too, crossed herself and staid for a moment in meditation, with her face turned toward heaven. Then, 'Is it true that all you shepherds are wizards?' she asked.

"Not at all, my lady, but we live nearer the stars here than the people in the valley, and so we know better than they what is going on."

"She was still looking up, with her head on her hand. She was like a little celestial shepherdess, sitting there with the sheepskin around her.

"How far it goes! How beautiful it is! I have never seen anything like it. Do you know their names, shepherd?"

"Yes, mistress. Here, just over us, is St. James' road (the milky way). It goes from France straight into Spain. St. James of Galicia laid it out to show the way to the brave Charlemagne when he was waging war with the Saracens. Farther along you see the chariot of souls (Ursa Major) with its four dazzling axles. The three stars in front are the three animals, and that quite small one opposite the third is the charioteer. Do you see that rain of stars all around it? They are the souls which the good God does not want in his house. A little lower is the rake, or the three kings (Orion). It serves as a clock to us. By looking at it we know now that it is past midnight. Lower toward the south is John of Milan, the torch of the stars (Sirius). The shepherds have this legend about it: John of Milan was invited one night with the three kings and the Pleiades to the wedding of one of their star friends. The Pleiades were in a greater hurry than the others, so they left first and took the highroad. See it up there at the very top of the heavens. The three kings cut across lower and overtook them, but that lazy John of Milan, who had overslept, was left far behind. In a rage he threw his stick to stop them. That is why the three kings are also called John of Milan's stick. But the most beautiful of all the stars, mistress, is ours, the shepherds' star, which lights us at dawn as we take out the flocks and at evening when we bring them home. We call it Maguelonne, the beautiful Maguelonne who runs after Peter of Provence (Saturn) and carries him every seven years."

"What, shepherd! Are there really marriages among the stars?"

"Oh, yes, mistress."

"And as I was trying to explain what these unions are like I felt something fresh and delicate weighing gently on my shoulder. It was her head, heavy with sleep, which leaned against me with a pretty rumpling of ribbons, laces and curly hair. She lay so without stirring until the stars paled—effaced by the rising day. I watched her a little moved in the depths of my being—but sweetly guarded by this clear night, which has never given me anything but noble thought. Around us the stars continued their silent march, docile as a great flock—and at moments I fancied that one, the most delicate, the most brilliant of them all, had lost her way and rested upon my shoulder in sleep."—From the French of Alphonse Daudet For Short Stories.

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents.

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THE EVENING NEWS.

THIRD YEAR—NO. 682.

BENTON HARBOR, MICH., WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 15, 1897.

ONE CENT.

THE LUETGERT TRIAL.

The Sausage Maker Will Go on the Stand and Tell His Own Story.

JURORS TO SEE THE VAT.

Assistant District Attorney McEwen Repeats His Speech in the First Trial.

Chicago, Dec. 15.—An opportunity to view the sausage factory at North Hermitage and Diversey avenues will be accorded the jurors in the Luetgert case. When Attorney Harmon began his opening for the defense yesterday afternoon he said that he wished the twelve men might see for themselves. Hardly had he uttered the words when Assistant State's Attorney McEwen was on his feet to accept the proposition and it was agreed that the men who are to judge of the prisoner's guilt or innocence should have a view of the vats and their surroundings some day this week. They may be taken out today and will also inspect the Luetgert residence and the neighborhood.

Briefly, pointedly and without attempt to dwell on details, the opening for the prosecution was made by Assistant State's Attorney McEwen yesterday morning. Practically the same story as outlined in the former trial was told, and the lawyers occupied but an hour and a half in the telling.

Attorney Harmon, for the defense, began his statement to the jury in the afternoon and talked during the entire session. He was but half through when court adjourned. He expects to complete his address today by noon.

In his address Mr. Harmon outlined some new points of the defense. He will insist that five instead of fifty pounds of arsenic was ordered delivered at the factory and will endeavor to show that the door through which Frank Bialk failed to secure an entrance the night of May 1 had nothing to do with the case, as it did not lead to the basement.

Mr. Harmon speaks in a voice which is raised to the pitch of shouting, and he claps his hands violently when he wishes to emphasize a particular point. He has the habit of pulling his coat sleeves back after a manner of a magician and sometimes he leans forward and whispers confidentially, only to jump back from the jurors and shout accusations against the state at the top of his voice. He brought all of this active oratory into play when told that Luetgert would go on the stand "and with uplifted hand before the God that made him tell the true story of the night of May 1 and convince the jury of his innocence in spite of the attempts of a dishonest prosecution to convict him unjustly."

SCHOOL NOTES.

Will S. White of the American Book Company called at the Broadway on Friday afternoon.

Mr. Kittell took charge of his room again on Monday.

Miss Edna J. Peck, who has been ill for two weeks, took up her work again on Tuesday.

Miss Grace V. Taylor, who is to take Miss Withey's room after the holidays, arrived on Tuesday and will spend the balance of the term in becoming thoroughly acquainted with the room in order that there may be as little interruption as possible.

Civil government, arithmetic and physiology will finish this term, followed by physical geography, botany, rhetoric and United States history. New classes in arithmetic, composition and English history will begin the first of February.

Very interesting and instructive grade meetings were held at the Central building on Monday evening.

Frank Bracelin has moved to St. Joseph and will enter the High school there.

Lister's Bone Meal.

This famous bone meal which has stood the test of years may be obtained by leaving orders with H. P. Boehm, Benton Harbor, or with the general agent.

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Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Stern's Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

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CHANCE IS GONE.

ARIZONA GOLD MINE SUDDENLY ADVANCED IN PRICE.

A Month Ago J. P. Jones of Galien Had An Option on It For \$20,000.

About a month ago J. P. Jones of Galien was in the city trying to interest J. J. Miller and other citizens in an Arizona gold mine in the "Old Hat District."

At that time the mine could be bought on an option for \$20,000, with only a small payment down and an opportunity to work the mine and dig gold enough to pay for it.

The owner, despairing of a sale, began digging himself and a few feet below the surface a vein of gold was struck and now the mine cannot be purchased for less than a million dollars.

When Mr. Jones told Benton Harbor a month ago that this mine was better than a claim along the Klondike they looked at him.

THE PRIZE DINNER.

Menus Still Are Being Daily Received at This Office.

The prize dinner contest of THE EVENING NEWS will close Saturday, December 18, and if possible the prize winners will be announced on Tuesday, together with the menu, which the judges declare is the best. The judges selected—Mrs. R. M. Jones, Mrs. John T. Owens and Mrs. J. M. Allmendinger—met with the warmest approval of the public and all agree that the best dinner will be awarded the \$5.

When Saturday night comes the various bills of fare will be arranged and numbered and a record made of each number with the name of the author. Then the names will be erased from each number and one bill of fare can be identified from another only by the number. This will relieve the judges of all responsibility of blame if the "best cook" shouldn't get the award. The judges will not know whose work they are judging.

The following rules govern the contest:

- Any person residing in Berrien county may contest.
- The dinner must be sufficient for six persons. It must cost \$2. no more, no less.

The menu must first be given, and following that must be an itemized list of the cost of the ingredients, even down to the salt and pepper. If there are any special dishes direction must be given for their preparation.

The name of the lady who prepares the menu must be at the bottom of the list, but this name will not be submitted to the judges.

Contestants should address their communication to THE EVENING NEWS Menu Dept., Benton Harbor, Mich.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY

Take Laxative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. P. on each tablet.

DIPHTHERIA AGAIN.

Galen Unfortunate Enough to Have Two More Cases.

Galen, Dec. 15.—Two cases of diphtheria are reported in the family of Gus Jannasch, and the home has been put in quarantine. It is not thought that it will be possible for the disease to spread under the existing precautions.

BELL COMES DOWN.

Telephone Monopoly Compromises With City of Holland.

Holland, Dec. 15.—Superintendent Beemer, of the Bell Telephone company, with his attorney, Hon. G. J. Diekema, met Mayor DeYoung, and City Attorney George E. Kollen yesterday to settle the difficulty between the city and the Bell Telephone company. The common council has ordered the removal of the telephone poles from Eighth street with a threat to cut them down, if not speedily removed. The Bell company intended to restrain the action of the city by injunction, but the meeting today has led to a satisfactory arrangement. The Bell company, in compliance with the requirements of the council, will remove their poles from Eighth street to Seventh street.

This action will bring about peace and harmony which is certainly desirable.

Life's a Burden If the stomach is not right. Is there Nausea? Is there Constipation? Is the Tongue Coated? Are you Light Headed? Do you have Sick Headaches? Any and all of these denote Stomach and Liver Disorders. Dr. Agnew's Liver Pills act quickly and will cure most stubborn and chronic cases. 40 in a vial for 10 cents. Sold by Geo. M. Bell & Co.—68.

Don't Tobacco Spit and Smoke Your Life Away.
To quit tobacco easily and forever, be magnetic, full of life, nerve and vigor, take No-To-Bac, the wonder-worker, that makes weak men strong. All druggists, 50c or \$1. Cure guaranteed. Booklet and sample free. Address Stern's Remedy Co., Chicago or New York.

WRY FACE SEASON.

Children Up for Their Annual Dose of Cough Mixture.

A SCIENTIFIC WAY TO CURE SORE THROAT AND COUGH.

The regular annual tussle with the children is at hand. Sore throats, coughs, croup, and bronchitis will rule the day for some months to come. And in addition to the problem of curing throat troubles comes the question of a remedy that will not only cure but one which can be taken without the wry face or the coaxing that is more than half the battle in treating children. The best method is to use the tablet form of medicine. These are soluble, crumbling to pieces when taken into the mouth, so that even small children without teeth will get the benefit. The usual run of sticky, candy cough medicines are of scarcely any benefit in curing a cough. They moisten the mouth but lack the sedative properties of tablets.

The best tablet to give children is the Dr. Leon Cough tablets made by Davis & Morlan, Kalamazoo, Mich. They can be relied upon for purity and effectiveness and should a child get hold of a box, as they sometimes will, no harm can come if they should eat a dozen of the tablets. They quiet the nerves and remove the membranous coating that inflames and irritates the throat, lungs and air passages. It is a scientific remedy, highly thought of by physicians and is equally efficacious in curing coughs of adults. If your neighborhood druggist does not keep them they will be mailed prepaid on receipt of price, 50 cents.

HOLIDAY CONCERT.

The Newsboys' Band Will Give One Wednesday Evening, Dec. 29.

The Evening News' Newsboys' band which has been organized for the past seven months will give their first concert in the First M. E. church, on the evening of December 29.

The band has been in constant training on their program for three months past, under the directorship of Prof. Nelson, one of the best musicians in the state, and he is so well pleased with their progress that he assures the public a rare musical treat.

The band will be assisted by Marion Barton, a little girl, 11 years of age, who handles a violin with as much ease, grace and confidence as a much older person.

The program will consist of overtures by the band, baritone solo, cornet solos and duets, violin solos, selections by the mandolin club and the beautiful song "The Little Choir Boy's Song," by Master Willie Ludlow, the boy soprano, with pipe organ accompaniment by Prof. Nelson.

The admission will be 25 cents for adults and 15 cents for children.

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents.

FIVE DOLLARS IN CASH.

School Dreams Company Will Give that Sum Away.

The School Dreams Publishing company have been giving away watches, dictionaries, books, etc., to advertise School Dreams, a fine magazine. Now they have to offer \$5 in cash. Following are seven lists of letters, out of which can be spelled the names of seven large American cities: IAHCOCG equal CHICAGO and so on. Here are the lists:

IAHCOCG IFDOTHRT
HITONGNSAW SEWOHNELNA
KONERYW NASARFICNOSC
SOTOBIN

Can you solve them? If so you will be lucky. Send in your list. To the sender of the correct solution we will send \$5 in cash. No fake. The money will be sent. If more than one correct list is received the money will be divided between the senders of the five neatest lists. Send all lists by mail and as early as possible. With every list enclose 10 cents for a three-months' subscription to School Dreams, the only magazine published in Berrien county. Send in as many lists as you desire, enclosing 10 cents with each list. Contest closes December 14. School Dreams Publishing company Dept. A, Benton Harbor. 12675

Holidays will soon be here. Look out for C. H. Hollis & Son's holiday ads from now on until Xmas. We will discount all prices ever heard of. Don't buy a dollar's worth of goods until you see our large and elegant line and get our prices. We keep everything kept in a first class jewelry store and in prices we defy competition. We will give with every dollar purchase and over one ladies' fine stick pins with a white topaz setting or one gent's scarf pin, same setting as the above. 12679

Holiday Excursion Rates.

For Christmas and New Year holidays, C. & W. M. & D. G. R. & W. Ry. agents will sell tickets at one and one-third fare to stations in Michigan, Ohio and Indiana. Selling dates December 24, 25, 31, and January 1. Return limit January 4.

GEO. DEHAVEN, G. P. A.

Holiday Excursions Via Vandalia Line. For the holidays the Vandalia line will sell excursion tickets at reduced fares from all stations, to local points on its own line, and also to points on connecting lines. For full particulars call on nearest Vandalia line ticket agent or address E. A. FORD, General passenger agent, St. Louis, Mo.

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It cheers them up, it's sure to pay,
If not they seem to disappear,
And by this time another year
You won't have any.

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Mahogany Finished, Leather Upholstered Chairs and Rockers

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Beautiful Lamps,

Toilet Sets,

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107 E. Main St. C. J. PECK Benton Harbor.

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..Glassware Sale..

Saturday, Dec. 18, we will sell any glass dish in our store for 7c.

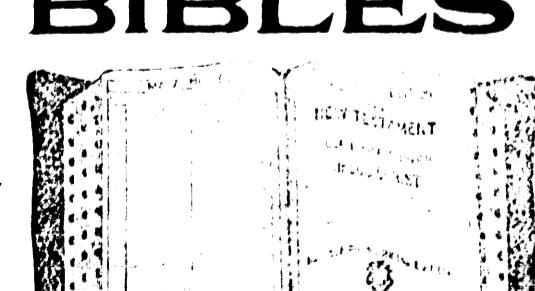
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TWIN CITY TELEPHONE 172.

WEDNESDAY, DEC. 15. 1897.

THE PROPOSED ARMOR PLANT.

What congress considered an exorbitant price for armor plate led to the present agitation in regard to the government itself going into the business of owning its own plant and making the steel plate used in the construction of the battleships.

The proposed plant will cost \$3,750,000, and be capable of making 500 tons of armor plate per year. The board of inquiry deems it inexpedient for congress to build such a plant unless there is an annual appropriation so that the mill may be kept in continual operation. Economy in results cannot be obtained unless the plant is in constant operation, and the board of inquiry doubts if the government can make its armor plate any cheaper than it can buy of private companies. On the whole it is very doubtful if congress will make an appropriation of \$4,000,000 to construct and equip such a plant.

This is the enterprise that Senator Burrows favors locating in Benton Harbor. If the senator has the influence to locate here a \$4,000,000 government plant that same influence ought to be able to get a half million dollar appropriation for our harbor.

A first class harbor in the hand is better than an armor plant in the bush.

It is now time that this city should take up and agitate the building here of a municipal electric light plant. The average cost of arc lights in Michigan is \$6 per month, about 25 per cent less than Benton Harbor pays for her lights. In some cities in the state arc lights are furnished as low as \$3 per month. The city can save several hundred dollars on its light bill every year just as well as not.

Look out for the grand holiday opening at Teetzel & Haydon's jewelry store next Saturday, December 18.

Smoke "Our Congressman," 5 cents each. 670126

"Yes," replied Farmer Cornelia firmly; "that there is my intention." "I am very sorry to learn that I have forfeited your confidence after serving for so many years. Is there anything in particular that has caused you to take this stand?" "No, nothin' in particular, only jes' a general impression that a man couldn't git along as well in politics as you've done without there bein somethin' suspicious somewhere."—Atlanta Constitution.

The Point of View.

"What do you think of woman's rights?" "I think," replied the shoe clerk, "that they ought to match woman's lefts."—Chicago Post.

Deafness Cannot be Cured

by local applications, as they cannot reach the disease portion of the ear. There is only one way to cure deafness, and that is by constitutional remedies. Deafness is caused by an inflamed condition of the mucous lining of the Eustachian Tube. When this tube gets inflamed you have a rumbling sound or imperfect hearing and when it is entirely closed deafness is the result, and unless the inflammation can be taken out and this tube restored to its normal condition, hearing will be destroyed forever; nine cases out of ten are caused by catarrh, which is nothing but an inflamed condition of the mucous surfaces.

We will give One Hundred Dollars for any case of Deafness (caused by catarrh) that cannot be cured by Hall's Catarrh Cure. Send for circulars, free.

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Hall's Family Pills are the best

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents.

J. G. B. ASTENIUS, the tuner from Chicago, will be in Benton Harbor on or about December, 13. Leaves orders early, either at Mrs. F. B. Cary's music studio or postoffice box 1134. Mr. Astenius is taking the place of his brother during the month of December. He will stop at Hotel Benton.

Suits made to order for \$15 and upwards and pants from \$3.50 upwards at Joe Hansen's the tailor. 632tf

Get one of those \$15 suits of Joe Hansen, the tailor, he guarantees them to give perfect satisfaction.

Have you seen Wallace Bros.' fine line of candy, 110 Pipestone street?

Wallace Bros.' candy maker makes fresh taffy every day. tf672

Ask for "Our Congressman" ciga.

Tri-Weekly to Chicago. The steamer City of Duluth will leave Monday, Wednesday and Friday evenings for Chicago. Fare each way, including berth, \$1. GRAHAM & MORTON TRANS. CO.

Bicycles are going at cost at Burk hard's this week. 633tf

25 Per Cent Off

Having bought the complete sample line of

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Ladies' Jackets, Capes, Russian Blouses, Misses' Reefers, Children's Long Coats, at twenty-five per cent less than wholesale price, we can show the most complete assortment to be found and save you 25 per cent on every garment.

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20 Men's black wool ulsters, all sizes, wool lined, extra heavy weight, were \$8.00 \$4 50 marked down to \$6.50, now going at

30 Men's black and blue wool beaver overcoats, all sizes, this year's production, velvet collars, were \$8.50 each, now going at

30 Men's all wool suits, small sizes only, both frocks and sacks, mostly dark colors, \$3 00 unparalleled values, were \$12.50 to \$18 each, now going at

75 Boys' knee pant suits, sizes 4 to 10, heavy weight, dark colors, assorted patterns, \$1 75 were \$3.00 to \$7.50, now

20 pairs Men's patent and enamel leather shoes, good shapes and sizes, were \$4.00, \$3 00 \$4.50 and \$5.00, now

25 pairs Men's Vici kid Balmorals and Congress, with patent tip, new toe, worth \$2.50 \$2 39 to \$3.50, now

72 pairs Ladies' velvet slippers, worth 69c 85c to \$1.25, now going at

24 pairs Ladies' Dongola kid button shoes, all sizes, were \$2.00, now \$1 49

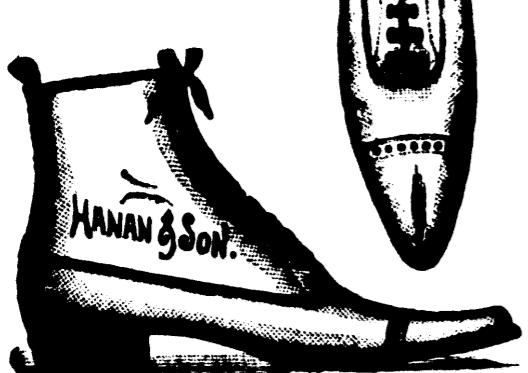


For the Holidays—Christmas Presents, etc., we are prepared to serve you in a substantial way with necessities as well as luxuries that are always preferred.

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Men's good every day suits..... \$2.00

Men's Fine Wool Suits..... \$3.50

Men's best all wool Black Clay Worsted Suits, worth \$10 and \$12

our price only..... \$6.48

Boys' good wearing Shoes..... 75c

Boys' good wearing Suits..... 75c

Boys' all wool Knee Pants, fully worth 50c and 75c..... 25c

Tinware, Glassware and Notions at wonderfully low prices.

Call, examine our goods and prices and be convinced.

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LOCAL BREVITIES.

ALGER Guard drill tonight at 8:00 o'clock sharp.

WALLACE Bros. have an attractive fruit display in their windows.

Take your dinner and supper with the Universalist ladies tomorrow.

MRS. A. J. Youngs continues quite sick at her home on Pipestone street.

G. M. THRESHER has a very interesting article in regard to mining today.

CAR ferry No. 4 came in this morning with a full cargo for transfer to the Big Four.

AFFAIRS around the county seat are very quiet. The only excitement is in the probate court.

C. J. BROWN has just received a large stock of choice holly and wreaths for Christmas decorations.

THE concert of the Evening News Newsboys' band at the Methodist church two weeks from tonight.

THE ladies will give a New England supper at the Baptist church Friday evening, December 17. Supper and a good time all for 10 cents.

SARAH A. Winans has commenced foreclosure proceedings in the circuit court against Thomas Goulden to recover on a mortgage of \$1,000.

TEETZEL & Haydon, the jewelers, have a very attractive window. They are displaying a beautiful line of silverware, diamonds and fine china.

CIRCUIT Court Commissioner St. Clair will not decide the Henderson case until tomorrow. The bondsmen are rather anxious over the decision to be rendered. Mr. Henderson is taking it very cool, sitting about the jail and reading good literature.

THERE is not a week passes but there is a big shipment of hay, straw and feed comes into this city from outside towns. Would it not be policy for some of our farmers to raise this kind of a crop, for which there is a demand, instead of small fruits on which they lose money. By so doing hundreds of dollars would be kept at home instead of being sent away.

THE Benton Harbor correspondent of the Detroit Free Press sent out a dispatch stating that General Ainger, receiver of the First National bank, had declared that the Ft. Sheridan military post ought to be moved to Benton Harbor. General Ainger says he never heard or said anything about any proposition to move the post until he read the Free Press dispatch.

ALGER GUARD NOTES.

The officers of the company do not object to visitors at the regular drills of the company but smoking or loud talking will not be tolerated in the armory.

The electric lights are all in place in the new armory and will be in operation for the first time at their drill tonight.

The quartermaster of the company will reissue arms and equipments to all members tonight and those present will get first choice.

The presence of all the non-commissioned officers is desired at the drill tonight.

A red light suspended from one of the windows of the armory hereafter will be a reminder to the boys on drill night.

TO CURE A COLD IN ONE DAY Take Lazative Bromo Quinine Tablets. All druggists refund the money if it fails to cure. 25c. The genuine has L. B. Q. on each tablet.

Conflicting Legal Styles.

A good anecdote is told of the two celebrated barristers Balfour and Erskine. Balfour's style was gorgeously verbose. Erskine's, on the contrary, was crisp and vigorous. Coming into court one day Erskine noticed that Balfour's ankle was bandaged.

"Why, what's the matter?" asked Erskine.

Instead of replying, "I fell from a gate," Balfour answered in his usual roundabout manner:

"I was taking a romantic ramble in my brother's garden," he said, "and on coming to a gate I discovered that I had to climb over it, by which I came in contact with the first bar and grazed the epidermis of my leg, which has caused a slight extravasation of the blood."

"You may thank your lucky stars," replied Erskine, "that your brother's gate was not as lofty as your style, or you would have broken your neck."

San Francisco Wave.

Have glasses fitted by Dr. Antisdale.

The two cigars "Columbia" and "Our Congressman."

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents.

Wallace Bros. are giving two bicycles away.

Everybody Says So.

Cascarets Candy Cathartic, the most wonderful medical discovery of the age, pleasant and refreshing to the taste, act gently and positively on kidneys, liver and bowels, cleansing the entire system, dispel colds, cure headache, fever, habitual constipation and biliousness. Please buy and try a box of C. C. C. to-day; 10, 25, 50 cents. Sold and guaranteed to care by all druggists.

IF YOU ARE GOING TO THE MUSEUM.

In stating the profits of copper with those of gold or silver mining, the official reports afford us such astonishing comparisons that it may not be amiss to give briefly a few of the primary causes.

In the mechanical world copper is called into use ten times now where formerly it was in demand once. It is the best conductor of electricity—now only in its infancy—and is used in all electrical appliances. It is used in the manufacture of brass. It is also used in the construction of ocean vessels. It is extensively used in the government arsenals of the world. One shipment to the French government of 20,000 tons at 11½ per pound indicates to what extent in a single direction the metal is used.

Such are the uses of copper and such is the constant demand that for the past three years the price has steadily advanced in face of the largest production the world has ever known. This unusual condition is explained by the visible supply of copper in Europe steadily decreasing while the position of the American producer is daily growing stronger. In two years Europe's own supply has diminished 45,000,000 pounds.

Copper being found only in a few localities, yet in almost inexhaustible quantities has paid large dividends each year for a number of years, while gold or silver is often found in narrow seams or pockets, affording only transitory bonanzas. This is another very potent reason why copper has so far excelled in dividends. The scarcity of copper mines is evident by the list in the Mining Review of dividend paying mines yielding gold, silver and copper in this country, British Columbia, Central America and Alaska.

The total number listed is 104, of which only seven are copper. In view of the fact that gold mines of the coveted Alaska are on the list and that seven copper mines make a net profit of \$78,563,899 which nearly equals the total profits of the remaining ninety-seven gold and silver mines it is but just to offer an explanation for the Klondike.

The discoveries in Alaska are comparatively recent. Owing to the privations in that country the mining properties are chiefly private or partnership holdings, acquired by the dauntless prospector who has "struck it rich." The profits of such mines are not reported officially, but are given in the newspapers with varying accuracy. There is no occasion, however, for doubting the enormous deposits of gold. It is there, and plenty of it. As Alaska embraces 531,409 square miles, some of the tens of thousands who are going there may experience a little difficulty on the start in locating the yellow metal. If some come back without gold, doubtless such an unfortunate experience is the surest and only remedy to allay the burning fever.

While admitting the great gold possibilities in Ala-ka, I am a more ardent advocate of copper in Arizona because the statistics prove again and again the bronze metal many times more profitable. Further than this, the Copper King company is not prospecting about in the rock to find a vein of ore at a great expense and "trusting to the doctrine of chance for its return," but already has the clean transfer of titles to 480 acres of rich mineral ground. From the shafts now going down on this property rich ore is being dumped in the ore bins awaiting the construction of the first smelter. Preparations are going forward for the operation of a great mine, from which it will require many years to exhaust the ore.

At my office in the Yore block, I will be glad to furnish any information or mail prospectus and views of the mine. Only a limited number of shares offered at 50 cents per share.

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Of practical, common sense, economical holiday goods, expressly for holiday purposes, at the lowest prices

Curtains, Rugs & Chenille Covers

Rich Rugs in Smyrna and Moquette, from 98c to \$4.00. Exquisite Portières, at \$1.19, 2.48, 3.98 to \$6.00. Chenille Covers, at 48c, 89c, \$1.25 to 3.48

Dress Patterns

\$1.00	\$2.25	\$4.50	\$7.00	\$9.00
Dress Pattern				

\$2.73 \$1.23 \$2.89 \$4.89 \$6.26

Children's Fur Sets

Beautiful white Angora sets, at \$1.75, 2.48, 3.00 and 4.00. Lamb's wool Muff and Scarf, ornamented with head and ribbons, at from \$2.00 to 3.50

Cloak Clearing Sale

We mention a few of the many saving chances:

Ladies' cloth capes, at \$3.19
Ladies' boucle and beaver jackets, 4.48
Ladies' fine plush capes, worth \$11.00, 7.39

SPECIALS THIS WEEK

Our qualities at the price have not been matched and will not be beaten in 1897.

The warm weather has left us with more Underwear than we should have at this season, and we will make prices that should clear the tables and benefit consumers.

We have 15 dozen Men's natural grey, double breasted, fleece lined shirts, with drawers to match, will be closed out, the suit for 35c.

10 dozen Men's ribbed Jersey Fleeced, ecru color, shirts and drawers, the suit for 75c.

10 dozen Boys' grey Jersey ribbed fleeced shirts and drawers, sizes 16 to 34, each at 19c.

A few Silk Ribbons still in stock, Nos. 5 to 40, at the old price of 5c and 10c.

In Handkerchiefs we cannot mention the many styles and prices. One of the desirable things is a Gents' fine hemstitched, full size, Silkaline, at 12c, and a Ladies' white, all linen, hemstitched, 8c each.

Our Grocery Dept. is Becoming More Complete

Every day and the prices continue to make it popular. If you have trouble in getting a tea or coffee to suit, just give us a trial. Our blended goods cannot be beat, and prices range from 12c for a good fresh roasted Santos coffee to 40c for the best goods shown in this city.

FOR THE HOLIDAYS We have added a line of KRAZ FINE FRESH CANDIES..

Also mixed candies at 6c lb. in 1-lb packages only. Mixed nuts at 10c qt.

Raisins at all prices.

Family Lard at 5c lb. Michigan Family Soap, 10 bars 25c.

True Bros. Pure Buckwheat Flour at 2½ lb.

HIGHEST MARKET PRICES PAID FOR BUTTER AND EGGS..

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131 to 137 Pipestone St., Benton Harbor.

ABOUT THE COUNTY.

West Sodus.

West Sodus, Dec. 15.—A protracted meeting commenced at Bethel church Sunday night. Elder Moffett is in charge.

Mrs. Mary Barker has returned from California where she has spent several months visiting her sons whose homes are in California. Mrs. Barker's sister with her husband who has been visiting her for several days have returned to their home in Ohio.

Sam Stump is having a serious time with a large carbuncle on his forehead and his two little daughters are both quite sick. John Stump's baby is nearly well again.

Galien.

Galien, Dec. 15.—Mud! Mud! Mud! A plenty of mud.

An Epworth league was organized last Sunday evening after the sermon by Rev. McKien J. P. Jones was elected president. After other business was transacted the league adjourned to meet next Friday at the church.

Considerable amount of wheat came in Saturday. This was the day after the announcement that wheat had reached the \$1.10 mark in large cities. Farmers down this way read the daily paper.

J. P. Jones, Utah Smith, Frank Mann and B. R. Jones furnished some valuable music at the meeting of the Galien High School Improvement league, which was highly enjoyed by the members.

George Partridge, Galien's oldest citizen, died Tuesday morning, having passed his 79 milestone. He was buried today.

A pound social was held at Alice Smith's for the benefit of Mary Curtis, last Saturday.

SOME NEW JOBS.

Faithful Michigan Republicans Will Be Remembered.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Ex-State Oil Inspector Neal McMillian of Rockford, Mich., will be appointed United States consul at Sarnia. His endorsement by the Michigan senators has been forwarded to the White House, and it is expected that the appointment will be made soon after the president's return.

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Golden C sugar,	25 lbs. for \$1 00
20 lbs. Extra C Sugar	1 00
19 lbs. Granulated Sugar	1 00
6 lbs. Crackers	25c
5 lbs Ginger Snaps	25c
4 lb. package Gold Dust	15c
5 lbs. Rice	25c
6 cans Sardines	25c
2 packages Washing Powder	5e
4 lbs. Cottolene	25c
German Sweet Chocolate	5c
Baker's Chocolate	19c
8 bars Santa Claus Soap	25c
9 bars Jaxon Soap	25c
10 bars Calumet Soap	25c
10 lb. Pail Whitefish	45c

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SECRET SOCIETIES

TRIBE OF BEN HUR, HARBOR COURT
No. 8, meets alternate Monday nights, beginning April 12. E. W. CARLEY, Chief, MABEL GEEB, Secretary.

LADIES CIRCLE G. A. R. REGULAR meetings, second and fourth Wednesday of each month at 7:30 p.m., in G. A. R. hall. Mrs. ELLIN D. PLUMMER, President, MRS. NEIL L. WARD, Secretary.

BENTON DIVISION, COURT NO. 1, ORDER OF PATRIOTS, meets every Friday evening in Modern Woodmen hall. JOHN SHIPLEY, Justice. W. H. ANDREWS, clerk.

KNIGHTS OF THE MACCABEES, BENTON TON, No. 104, meet at Odd Fellows' hall. Regular review second and fourth Fridays each month. G. W. FALES, Com. E. P. CHADDOCK, R. K.

BENTON LODGE NO. 12, I. O. O. F. MEETS every Tuesday evening at 7:30 o'clock in the lodge room opposite the post office. All visiting brothers are cordially invited. GUY E. MITCHELL, N. G. GEORGE W. FALES, Secretary.

LADIES OF THE MACCABEES, BENTON HIVE, No. 545, meet at Odd Fellow's hall and third Wednesday nights of each month. EMMA CANTHILL, Commander. MARGARET MURRAY, Record Keeper.

WOODMEN OF THE WORLD—BANNER Camp No. 10 commencing April 30, meet every other Friday evening at 7:30 o'clock at G. A. R. hall on West Main street. Visiting sovereigns will be cordially received. JOHN F. GRIMBLE, Consul Commander. JOHN HARPER, Clerk.

MODERN WOODMEN OF AMERICA, IVY Leaf Camp No. 901 meets every Monday evening at the Woodmen Hall on West Main street. Visiting Woodmen will be cordially entertained. B. L. HALL V. C. N. G. W. FALES, Clerk.

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REMEDIES which are Prepared on Sound Principles. Dr. Marchaux's always Cure. Have stood the test of years. Are absolutely Pure. Dose perfectly accurate. Are Scientific. The only reliable remedy for home use. They are pleasant to take. The form is attractive.

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No. 42. Cures Catarrh, Measles, Night Sweats, Slight Fevers.

No. 41. Cures Acidity of the Stomach, Bad Breath, Heartburn, Waterbrash.

No. 40. Cures Hay Fever, German Measles, Asthma.

No. 25. Cures Whooping Cough, Hoarseness, Loss of Voice.

No. 24. Cures White, Excessive and Painful Menstruation, Female Complaints.

No. 22. Cures Cholera Morbus, Convulsions, Colic, Soreness, Nervousness.

No. 8. Cures Jaundice, Liver Disease, Worms, Effects, Stomatitis, Heavy and Dull Feeling.

No. 6. Cures Loss of Voice, Hoarseness, Cough, Bronchitis, Asthma, Colds.

No. 17. Cures Diseases of the Kidneys and Bladder.

No. 14. Cures St. Vitus' Dance, Nose Bleed, Paralysis, Hemorrhages.

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No. 13. Cures Bronchitis, Hysteria, Dysmenorrhea, Liver Diseases, Chills, Nervousness.

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BANK NOTICE.

Treasury Department,
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Washington, D. C., September 21, 1897.

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GEORGE M. CORBIN,

Deputy and Acting Comptroller of the Currency.

WANTED DEDICATED A TWO-YEAR FARM.

The Law Against Peddlers Denounced by Grand Master Horton as Peddlers are a Blessing.

Lansing, Dec. 15.—The state grange and state association of farmers' clubs are both holding their annual meetings. Many representative farmers are here and, thanks to good crops and high prices, all seem happy and contented. Farmers' clubs have had a good growth during the year.

Grand Master Horton addressed the grange yesterday morning. He referred to the action of the national grange in protesting against the practical nullification of the "long and short haul" provision of the interstate commerce law, thus hindering the production and consumption of surplus farm products, by making excessive transportation rates.

In Michigan 11 new granges have been instituted this year and several dormant ones revived. In the matter of co-operative trading there has been an increased interest, although this feature is still in its infancy.

Mr. Horton congratulated the grange on the passage of the oleomargarine, traveling library and farmers' institute appropriation bills, all of which the grange had advocated. He attributed the failure of the bill preventing appeals in equity justice court cases to lawyers who feared loss of fees, and bemoaned the abolition of the office of state statistician.

The Kimmins county salary, anti-flea bill, which was defeated, will be urged again, so Mr. Horton intimated. So will the Wagar bill, readjusting the salaries of state employees. The grange influence did much to defeat the repeal of the mortgage tax and farm statistics laws, as well as to defeat the township unit system of school supervision. Attention was called to the fact that the senate was the executioner of all bills petitioned for by the grange and lost.

Co-operation was urged as the road to success, and all farmers were advised to make a careful study of this subject. The pure food laws were endorsed. Master Horton declared that this protection to purchasers should be extended "to drugs, clothing and dry goods and to all articles of merchandise in the manufacture and sale of which fraud and deception are so frequently practiced." Ex-Food Commissioner Storrs and Commissioner Grosvenor were thanked for their efforts.

Free rural mail delivery was advocated by the master. He protested against the hawker and peddler law of the last legislature, denouncing it as being enacted wholly in the interests of stores in the larger cities, and calculated to force farmers to go to town to transact business. The visits of the peddlers during the busy season were said to be a great saving to farmers. A glowing tribute was paid the agricultural college.

Master Horton advocated the election of the United States senators by the people, and the postal savings bank system and good roads. He expressed the fear that the concessions to constant travelers, in the way of mileage books, might retard concession to the occasional traveler, and especially to the farmer, who had extended greater aid to railroad building than any other class. For this reason he favored petitioning the next legislature for a flat cent fare law.

Governor Pingree will address the farmers at the session today.

POSTMASTER FOR ALBION.

Frank Irving Defeated Five Other Candidates.

Washington, Dec. 15.—Senator Burrows yesterday recommended Frank Irving for postmaster at Albion. The other candidates were C. H. Daskam, J. F. Eslow, H. W. Crittenden, F. H. Clay and F. F. Hoagland. Mr. Eslow, who is now in Washington, filed a petition of 704 names and pictures of himself and the building he proposed to use for a postoffice. However, he evidently fell short in political influence.

Closed Season Ends.

Grand Rapids, Dec. 15.—The closed season for lake trout and whitefish ended yesterday. During the past 45 days Deputy Ward in Brewster has traveled 8,000 miles, enforcing the law which, he says, is indorsed by the leading fishermen.

New Michigan Postmasters.

Ewen, Ontonagon county, John Garvin, vice James Norton, removed; Five Lakes, Lapeer county, William Jenkins, vice E. A. Degraff, removed.

Michigan Pensions.

Washington, Dec. 14.—Michigan pensions were granted Monday as follows: Original Knaud Ferguson, Sheboygan, \$8; William H. Austin, Cassopolis, \$6; Cornelius H. Woodcox, Coldwater, \$8; Increase—William M. Voorhees, Holly, \$6; Jesse Chapman, Alamo, \$17; John W. McCreary, Covert, \$6 to \$8; Frank M. Platt, Lansing, \$6 to \$8; Heissie—Elwood Newhouse, Muir, \$6; Heissie and Increase—Henry W. Bancroft, Vestaburg, \$8 to \$10. Widows—Emma K. Jenkins, Muskegon, \$8; Ellen Decker, Millbrook, \$8; minor of John B. Gray, Colon, \$10; Mary Rupert, Sturgis, \$17.

Herman Stark, of Houghton failed for \$16,000 a month ago, with but \$1,000 visible assets, and his whereabouts are not known. Officers have recovered several thousand dollars worth of goods from five different "fences" in this country.

The Bell Telephone company has reduced the price of residence phones at Pontiac to \$8 per month.

The American Express company shipped Monday from Chicago on Michigan Central train No. 14, in care of Train Baggage master Siebert, a goat which gave birth to a kid while enroute to transfer point at Niles. Mr. Siebert says the kid was lively as a cricket when put off the train at Niles.

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Annual Holiday Sale at the White House Store..



Why do so many People trade at this store?
Why do they come from far away as well as near at home?
Why do they return regularly season after season?
Why do they tell their friends to come?

Is it sentiment or accident? No: this is the reason, the reason that governs all buying and selling transactions:

It is because they save money by trading here..

The dominant feature of this store is its system of low prices, and people have learned to realize that a dollar will go farther here than in other stores. This being our Ninth Annual Holiday Sale we will make it the most interesting sale ever known in Western Michigan. Call in and see the largest and best stock of useful holiday goods in the city. A grand variety of Ladies' Dress Skirts; a magnificent line of Jackets and Capes, Fur Collarets, Boas and Muffs, Hoods, Fascinators, Shawls, Leggings, Handkerchiefs, Mullers, Silk Mittens, Gloves and Wool Mittens, Corsets, Blankets, Comforters, Underwear, Dress Goods, Silks, etc. Also the best stock of Men's, Boys' and Children's Suits, Overcoats, Ulsters and Reefs in the city, at prices during this sale that will astonish you.

Men's all wool Black Clay suits... \$7.50
Men's elegant business suits..... \$3.50
Men's elegant Beaver overcoats... \$5.00

Men's heavy storm ulsters..... \$4.00
Boys' good school suits..... 95c
Boys' fine overcoats and ulsters... \$1.98

Nice clean cotton batting, per roll, .44c

LL sheeting during this sale..... .34c

Large stock of neck wear from 5c up

Hats, Caps, Gloves, Mittens, Nightgowns, Mackintoshes, Trunks, Valises etc. Everybody cordially invited

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111 W. Main St.,

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MADAME J. DE CANTER has opened parlors at rooms 8 and 8, Newland Block.

Switches made to order. Hair goods for sale.

Also a fine assortment of toilet articles for sale. No extra charge for going to the house.

DAN GREEN..

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Leave orders at
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Practical Roofers, Tin, Iron, Steel, Asbestos and Felt

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In connection with our foundry and Machine shop we deal in new and second hand

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Potatoes

50c a Bushel

We will pay 50 cents per bushel for all the good quality potatoes offered.

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BE CAREFUL.

Don't Put Excelsior Water in Cans With Metal Tops.

Manager Peter English, of the Excelsior mineral water company urges with much earnestness against the placing of the mineral water in cans with metal tops.

There are properties in the water that makes it unfit for use when it comes in contact with metal and those who have had the water standing in cans lined with metal are advised to throw it away.

He also states that the use of jugs is dangerous as the water eats the lining off and forms a liquid which also is poisonous.

The company is preparing to condense the water in wooden tanks heated by steam and the salt will be sold in the form of tablets.

To Cure Constipation Forever,
Take Cascarets, Candy Cathartics, 10c or 25c.
If C. C. C. fail to cure, druggists refund money.

F. M. VAN HORN WANTS TO PUT THEM INTO USE.

He Has a Plan for a Travelers' Accident Association That is Pronounced Good.

F. M. Van Horn, one of the organizers of the Phoenix accident and sick benefit association, is reaching out after new worlds to conquer. He wants to organize a company with a capital stock of \$100,000 for the purpose of insuring travelers.

His plan is to place a machine in all the leading depots of the country, similar to a nickel-in-the-slot machine. By dropping a nickel in the slot and pulling a lever it will be possible to secure an accident ticket good for 24 hours from the date of issue. The machine will be provided with a clock and with that mechanism it will be possible to have the tickets show the date and the time of issue. For 5 cents it will be possible to issue a ticket good for \$500 in case of death or \$5 per week in case of accident.

It is believed that railroad agents would take to the plan. They now issue accident tickets and receive a commission of 40 per cent. The commission they would receive from the new company would be smaller but it would entail no work on their part and the novelty of the plan would induce a larger number of persons to take out accident tickets.

SOCIAL AND PERSONAL.

What Benton Harbor's People and Societies Are Doing.

A number of young people had a happy time last evening at the home of Mr. and Mrs. Irving Jaquay, 114 Lake avenue. The young ladies dressed dolls to be distributed among the poor children of our city at Christmas time while the young men entertained the ladies. Light refreshments were served.

Miss Della Nichols, of this city, now has a position in Chicago.

Miss Effie Miller is taking a vacation from her duties in the millinery store of the Misses Dalrymple.

C. K. Farmer returned this morning from Chicago, where he was called as a witness in a law suit.

Misses Hettie and Lillian Dalrymple have returned from a visit with relatives in Buchanan.

Walter Griffin is ill with the mumps.

Mail Carrier Selridge is out after an illness of a week. He will resume his duties next week. In the meantime E. E. Beckley is carrying the route.

J. S. LaPoint left for Lawrence this morning to spend a few days.

Mrs. George Larkworthy, who recently fell and hurt her limb quite badly, is able to be out.

Miss Carrie Reynsen, of Cleveland, O., is visiting in the city.

The Guild of Holy Trinity will meet with Mrs. Charles Bowman, 123 Britain avenue, Thursday afternoon at the usual hour.

Dr. Booth, the Muskegon specialist, is at the Hotel Benton today.

Mrs. H. R. Huntington left yesterday for Chicago to spend a few days.

Peter Tonnelier returned this afternoon from a business trip to Anderson, Ind.

Will Chapman is confined to his home today by illness.

B. H. Rutter, of Berrien Centre, is the guest of M. S. Peck and family.

The W. W. T. Chautauquans will meet with Mrs. Ward, Friday, December 17, at 2 p. m. Program will be: Roll call—A German quotation; voluntary organization of educating—Mrs. Drake; commerce and manufacture—Miss Hull; recitation, "The Wonder of Death,"—Mrs. Hamilton; spelling class, conducted by Miss Stevens; "The Sorrows of Werther,"—Miss Frances Hull; test questions—Mrs. Morton: pronunciation—Mrs. Ward.

F. W. Sessions will go to Spring Lake tomorrow where he will spend the holidays. Mrs. Sessions and the boys went last week.

Attorney Tryon of Dowagiac is in the city today on legal business.

E. W. Moore leaves tonight for Chicago on a short business trip.

The Ladies of the Maccabees have issued invitations for a Christmas dance to be given in Conkey's hall on Christmas night.

Clossen's express will call for your baggage, only 10 cents. 6824.

A CHANCERY CASE.

Testimony Being Taken Before a Notary Public.

Testimony is being taken today by Attorneys G. M. Valentine and L. C. Fife in a chancery case before August Gross, notary public.

Mr. Gross is the most expert stenographer in Berrien county and also a rapid operator on the typewriter. In the present case he took the testimony of witnesses direct on the typewriter, and the rapidity with which he did it occasioned favorable comment. He is employed in the law office of Valentine & Ellsworth.

Scrofula is the advertisement of foul blood. It may be entirely driven from the system by the faithful use of Hood's Sarsaparilla, which thoroughly purifies the blood.

Hood's Pills are easy to take, easy to operate. Cure indigestion, biliousness, 200.

L. C. DEHAVEN, President
Captain Lloyd Clark is stopping at the Whitcomb.

Dr. Maudlin of Bridgman was in town today.

Colonel Ed. Bacon of Niles is in town attending court.

Frank Phiscater, the gold king, is in town today on business.

Solon H. Benbow is in the city from Kalamazoo for a few days.

Capt. T. H. Botham is in town from Bridgman for a few days.

Episcopal entertainment at the Hotel Whitcomb Friday evening.

James A. Scott of Crawfordsville, Ind., is in town on business.

Mrs. L. M. Dickinson, who was stricken with apoplexy, is improving.

Calvin Brittain Chapter, R. A. M. will hold a special convocation tonight at Masonic hall.

The city council held a special meeting last night but no business of importance was transacted.

The schooner Dayspring is transferring coal from Graham's dock to the government fog-signal station.

Mrs. R. H. Hotchkiss, who fell down the Hotel Whitcomb elevator shaft Monday is getting along nicely and an early and complete recovery from her injuries may be hoped for.

W. J. Gilbert, the Niles attorney, was one of the visitors at the court house yesterday.

Rain prevented any work on the sewer extension yesterday but the men went to work again today as usual.

George Warren and Arnold B. Smith of Logansport, Ind., are in the city for a few days on business.

Ralph A. Glen, stenographer in the law office of James O'Hara is confined to his room by illness. Dr. Wilson is attending him.

The merchants are decorating their stores and show windows with suitable Christmas gifts. Some of the windows make a very handsome appearance.

Mr. and Mrs. Roy Bradford will spend the winter in Georgia, leaving here after the holidays.

The Log Cabin club enjoyed the hospitality of Mr. and Mrs. A. Vincent and Miss Vincent at the Hotel Whitcomb last evening.

The Nineteenth Century club give an entertainment this evening at the Congregational church.

James M. Ball, president of the Commercial State bank is in town from Chicago on business.

The Episcopal society will produce the farce "To Oblige Benson" at the Hotel Whitcomb Friday evening. Thomas S. Clark will take the part of "Benson."

Capt. C. Rigney is fitting up his tug E. D. Payne to go fishing again. She has been laid up at the Vandalia dock for some time.

Seve al of the fish tugs went out this morning to set their nets. The legal spawning season expires today.

Artemus Maxon, living in the country south of the city, had his leg broken yesterday. It was crushed under a log which he was unloading from a wagon.

The McCabees will hold a regular meeting tonight. There will be a big time, as several candidates will try the bare back riding trick on the festive goat.

The florists and market men are receiving large quantities of holly and evergreen from the south for Christmas decorating.

Miss Winchester, Mrs. L. C. Fife and others are arranging a pretty Christmas cantata to be given at the Congregational church.

The chapel of the Sacred Heart, the new addition to St. Joseph's church, is completed and meetings will begin there soon.

Albert Walker, of St. Joseph, better known as "Ab" Walker, lost two fingers and part of a third one off his right hand at Allmendinger's mill yesterday afternoon. He was feeding one of the big rotary saws and his glove caught in the saw, which tore off the fingers one by one.



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